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original claims are inter-related in such a manner that no serious burden would be placed upon the Examiner if the restriction requirement were forgone. Applicants, therefore, respectfully request reconsideration of the restriction requirement.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Attached is a Substitute Specification. It is requested that it be substituted for the originally filed specification.

The undersigned, who is admitted to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, verifies that the Substitute Specification contains no new matter.

Also attached is a Comparison Copy, which shows the changes made to the originally filed specification and incorporated in the Substitute Specification.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute the following amended, clean versions of claims 20 and 22:

B1
20. (Amended) The process for producing the fuel electrode of the solid oxide fuel cell according to claim 12 wherein a concentration of Ni in said cermet is in the range of 20% to 95% as a volume fraction.

B2
22. (Amended) The process for producing the fuel electrode of the solid oxide fuel cell according to claim 12 wherein a concentration of YSZ containing the transition metal dissolved therein in said cermet is in the range of 1% to 50% as a volume fraction.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to approve the proposed drawing changes listed below and shown in red on the enclosed sketches. A separate Letter to the Official Draftsperson is enclosed.

FIGs. 1 and 2 have been amended to add the legend -- Prior Art --.